

## Bird Species Observed in Montana through July 2018

Notes: B = Verified breeding records  
 b = Indirect evidence of breeding  
 t = No evidence of breeding, transient  
 W = Verified overwinter records (12/15-2/15)  
 w = Present during winter season

Species with fewer than 20 accepted records are in blue *italics*

1	Snow Goose	t w
2	Ross's Goose	t w
3	Greater White-fronted Goose	t w
4	<i>Brant</i>	t
5	Cackling Goose	t w
6	Canada Goose	B W
7	Mute Swan	B W
8	Trumpeter Swan	B W
9	Tundra Swan	t W
10	Wood Duck	B W
11	<i>Baikal Teal</i>	t
12	<i>Garganey</i>	t
13	Blue-winged Teal	B w
14	Cinnamon Teal	B W
15	Northern Shoveler	B W
16	Gadwall	B W
17	Eurasian Wigeon	t w
18	American Wigeon	B W
19	Mallard	B W
20	American Black Duck	t w
21	Northern Pintail	B W
22	Green-winged Teal	B W
23	Canvasback	B W
24	Redhead	B W
25	Ring-necked Duck	B W
26	<i>Tufted Duck</i>	t
27	Greater Scaup	t W
28	Lesser Scaup	B W
29	Harlequin Duck	B W
30	Surf Scoter	t w
31	White-winged Scoter	t w
32	Black Scoter	t w
33	Long-tailed Duck	t W
34	Bufflehead	B W
35	Common Goldeneye	B W
36	Barrow's Goldeneye	B W
37	Hooded Merganser	B W
38	Common Merganser	B W
39	Red-breasted Merganser	t W
40	Ruddy Duck	B W
41	California Quail	B W
42	Chukar	B W
43	Gray Partridge	B W
44	Ring-necked Pheasant	B W
45	Ruffed Grouse	B W
46	Greater Sage-Grouse	B W
47	Spruce Grouse	B W
48	<i>Willow Ptarmigan</i>	w
49	White-tailed Ptarmigan	B W
50	Dusky Grouse	B W
51	Sharp-tailed Grouse	B W
52	<i>Greater Prairie-Chicken</i>	b
53	Wild Turkey	B W

54	Pied-billed Grebe	B W
55	Horned Grebe	B W
56	Red-necked Grebe	B W
57	Eared Grebe	B W
58	Western Grebe	B W
59	Clark's Grebe	B
60	Rock Pigeon	B W
61	Band-tailed Pigeon	t
62	Eurasian Collared-Dove	B W
63	<i>Inca Dove</i>	t
64	White-winged Dove	t
65	Mourning Dove	B W
66	Yellow-billed Cuckoo	b
67	Black-billed Cuckoo	B
68	Common Nighthawk	B
69	Common Poorwill	B
70	<i>Eastern/Mexican Whip-poor-will</i>	t
71	Black Swift	B
72	Chimney Swift	B
73	Vaux's Swift	B
74	White-throated Swift	B
75	Ruby-throated Hummingbird	B
76	Black-chinned Hummingbird	B
77	Anna's Hummingbird	t W
78	<i>Costa's Hummingbird</i>	t
79	Broad-tailed Hummingbird	B
80	Rufous Hummingbird	B
81	Calliope Hummingbird	B
82	<i>Yellow Rail</i>	b
83	Virginia Rail	B W
84	Sora	B w
85	<i>Common Gallinule</i>	t
86	American Coot	B W
87	Sandhill Crane	B W
88	Whooping Crane	t
89	Black-necked Stilt	B
90	American Avocet	B
91	Black-bellied Plover	t
92	American Golden-Plover	t
93	<i>Snowy Plover</i>	b
94	Semipalmated Plover	t
95	Piping Plover	B
96	Killdeer	B W
97	Mountain Plover	B
98	Upland Sandpiper	B
99	Whimbrel	t
100	Long-billed Curlew	B
101	Hudsonian Godwit	t
102	Marbled Godwit	B
103	Ruddy Turnstone	t
104	<i>Black Turnstone</i>	t
105	Red Knot	t
106	<i>Sharp-tailed Sandpiper</i>	t
107	Stilt Sandpiper	t
108	<i>Curlew Sandpiper</i>	t
109	Sanderling	t
110	Dunlin	t W
111	<i>Purple Sandpiper</i>	t
112	Baird's Sandpiper	t
113	Least Sandpiper	t
114	White-rumped Sandpiper	t
115	Buff-breasted Sandpiper	t
116	Pectoral Sandpiper	t
117	Semipalmated Sandpiper	t
118	Western Sandpiper	t
119	Short-billed Dowitcher	t
120	Long-billed Dowitcher	t
121	<i>American Woodcock</i>	t w
122	Wilson's Snipe	B W
123	Spotted Sandpiper	B w
124	Solitary Sandpiper	B
125	Lesser Yellowlegs	t
126	Willet	B
127	Greater Yellowlegs	t w
128	<i>Wood Sandpiper</i>	t
129	Wilson's Phalarope	B
130	Red-necked Phalarope	t
131	<i>Red Phalarope</i>	t
132	<i>Pomarine Jaeger</i>	t
133	<i>Parasitic Jaeger</i>	t
134	<i>Long-tailed Jaeger</i>	t
135	<i>Long-billed Murrelet</i>	t
136	<i>Ancient Murrelet</i>	t w
137	<i>Black-legged Kittiwake</i>	t w
138	Sabine's Gull	t
139	Bonaparte's Gull	t
140	<i>Little Gull</i>	t
141	<i>Ross's Gull</i>	t
142	<i>Laughing Gull</i>	t
143	Franklin's Gull	B
144	Mew Gull	t W
145	Ring-billed Gull	B W
146	<i>Western Gull</i>	t
147	California Gull	B W
148	Herring Gull	B W
149	Iceland Gull	t W
150	Lesser Black-backed Gull	t w
151	Glaucous-winged Gull	t W
152	Glaucous Gull	t W
153	<i>Great Black-backed Gull</i>	t w
154	Least Tern	B
155	Caspian Tern	B
156	Black Tern	B
157	Common Tern	B
158	<i>Arctic Tern</i>	B
159	Forster's Tern	B
160	Red-throated Loon	t w
161	Pacific Loon	t w
162	Common Loon	B W
163	<i>Yellow-billed Loon</i>	t w
164	<i>Manx Shearwater</i>	t
165	<i>Wood Stork</i>	t
166	Double-crested Cormorant	B w
167	American White Pelican	B w
168	American Bittern	B w
169	<i>Least Bittern</i>	t
170	Great Blue Heron	B W
171	Great Egret	t
172	Snowy Egret	B
173	<i>Little Blue Heron</i>	t
174	Cattle Egret	t
175	Green Heron	t
176	Black-crowned Night-Heron	B
177	<i>Yellow-crowned Night-Heron</i>	t
178	<i>Glossy Ibis</i>	t
179	White-faced Ibis	B
180	<i>Turkey Vulture</i>	B w
181	Osprey	B w
182	<i>White-tailed Kite</i>	t
183	Golden Eagle	B W
184	Northern Harrier	B W
185	Sharp-shinned Hawk	B W
186	Cooper's Hawk	B W
187	Northern Goshawk	B W
188	Bald Eagle	B W
189	<i>Mississippi Kite</i>	t
190	<i>Red-shouldered Hawk</i>	t
191	Broad-winged Hawk	t
192	Swainson's Hawk	B w
193	Red-tailed Hawk	B W
194	Rough-legged Hawk	t W
195	Ferruginous Hawk	B W
196	Barn Owl	B W
197	Flammulated Owl	B
198	Western Screech-Owl	B W
199	Eastern Screech-Owl	B W
200	Great Horned Owl	B W
201	Snowy Owl	t W
202	Northern Hawk Owl	B W
203	Northern Pygmy-Owl	B W
204	Burrowing Owl	B w
205	Barred Owl	B W
206	Great Gray Owl	B W
207	Long-eared Owl	B W
208	Short-eared Owl	B W
209	Boreal Owl	B W
210	Northern Saw-whet Owl	B W
211	Belted Kingfisher	B W
212	Lewis's Woodpecker	B W
213	Red-headed Woodpecker	B w
214	<i>Red-bellied Woodpecker</i>	t W
215	Williamson's Sapsucker	B
216	<i>Yellow-bellied Sapsucker</i>	t
217	Red-naped Sapsucker	B w
218	American Three-toed Woodpecker	B W
219	Black-backed Woodpecker	B W
220	Downy Woodpecker	B W
221	Hairy Woodpecker	B W
222	<i>White-headed Woodpecker</i>	t w
223	Northern Flicker	B W
224	Pileated Woodpecker	B W
225	<i>Crested Caracara</i>	t
226	American Kestrel	B W
227	Merlin	B W
228	Gyrfalcon	t W
229	Peregrine Falcon	B W
230	Prairie Falcon	B W
231	<i>Ash-throated Flycatcher</i>	t
232	<i>Great Crested Flycatcher</i>	t
233	Cassin's Kingbird	B
234	Western Kingbird	B
235	Eastern Kingbird	B
236	Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	t
237	Olive-sided Flycatcher	B
238	Western Wood-Pewee	B
239	<i>Eastern Wood-Pewee</i>	t
240	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	t
241	Alder Flycatcher	B
242	Willow Flycatcher	B
243	Least Flycatcher	B
244	Hammond's Flycatcher	B
245	Gray Flycatcher	B

246	Dusky Flycatcher	B
247	Cordilleran Flycatcher	B
248	Eastern Phoebe	t w
249	Say's Phoebe	B w
250	<i>Vermilion Flycatcher</i>	w
251	Loggerhead Shrike	B W
252	Northern Shrike	t W
253	<i>White-eyed Vireo</i>	b
254	<i>Bell's Vireo*</i>	t
255	<i>Yellow-throated Vireo</i>	t
256	Cassin's Vireo	B
257	Blue-headed Vireo	t
258	Plumbeous Vireo	B
259	Philadelphia Vireo	t
260	Warbling Vireo	B
261	Red-eyed Vireo	B
262	Canada Jay	B W
263	Pinyon Jay	B W
264	Steller's Jay	B W
265	Blue Jay	B W
266	<i>California Scrub-Jay</i>	t W
267	Clark's Nutcracker	B W
268	Black-billed Magpie	B W
269	American Crow	B W
270	Common Raven	B W
271	Horned Lark	B W
272	Purple Martin	B
273	Tree Swallow	B
274	Violet-green Swallow	B
275	Northern Rough-winged Swallow	B
276	Bank Swallow	B
277	Cliff Swallow	B
278	Barn Swallow	B
279	Black-capped Chickadee	B W
280	Mountain Chickadee	B W
281	Chestnut-backed Chickadee	B W
282	Boreal Chickadee	B W
283	Red-breasted Nuthatch	B W
284	White-breasted Nuthatch	B W
285	Pygmy Nuthatch	B W
286	Brown Creeper	B W
287	Rock Wren	B w
288	Canyon Wren	B W
289	House Wren	B w
290	Pacific Wren	B W
291	<i>Winter Wren</i>	t
292	Sedge Wren	B
293	Marsh Wren	B W
294	<i>Carolina Wren</i>	t
295	<i>Bewick's Wren</i>	b W
296	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	B
297	American Dipper	B W
298	Golden-crowned Kinglet	B W
299	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	B W
300	Eastern Bluebird	B W
301	Western Bluebird	B w
302	Mountain Bluebird	B w
303	Townsend's Solitaire	B W
304	Veery	B
305	Gray-cheeked Thrush	t
306	Swainson's Thrush	B w
307	Hermit Thrush	B W
308	<i>Wood Thrush</i>	b
309	<i>Fieldfare</i>	t w

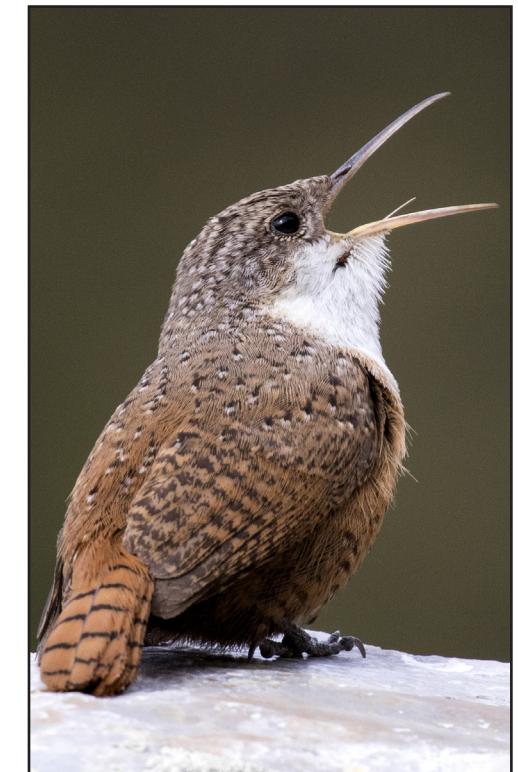
310	American Robin	B W
311	Varied Thrush	B W
312	Gray Catbird	B w
313	<i>Curve-billed Thrasher</i>	t W
314	Brown Thrasher	B W
315	Sage Thrasher	B
316	Northern Mockingbird	B W
317	European Starling	B W
318	Bohemian Waxwing	b W
319	Cedar Waxwing	B W
320	<i>Siberian Accentor</i>	W
321	House Sparrow	B W
322	American Pipit	B W
323	Sprague's Pipit	B
324	<i>Brambling</i>	t W
325	Evening Grosbeak	B W
326	Pine Grosbeak	B W
327	Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch	B W
328	Black Rosy-Finch	B W
329	House Finch	B W
330	Purple Finch	t W
331	Cassin's Finch	B W
332	Common Redpoll	t W
333	Hoary Redpoll	t W
334	Red Crossbill	B W
335	White-winged Crossbill	B W
336	Pine Siskin	B W
337	Lesser Goldfinch	B W
338	<i>American Goldfinch</i>	B W
339	Lapland Longspur	t W
340	Chestnut-collared Longspur	B
341	<i>Smith's Longspur</i>	t
342	McCown's Longspur	B
343	Snow Bunting	t W
344	Green-tailed Towhee	B W
345	Spotted Towhee	B W
346	<i>Eastern Towhee</i>	t W
347	American Tree Sparrow	t W
348	Chipping Sparrow	B W
349	Clay-colored Sparrow	B
350	Brewer's Sparrow	B
351	Field Sparrow	B
352	Vesper Sparrow	B w
353	Lark Sparrow	B
354	<i>Black-throated Sparrow</i>	t
355	Sagebrush Sparrow	B
356	Lark Bunting	B
357	Savannah Sparrow	B w
358	Grasshopper Sparrow	B
359	Baird's Sparrow	B
360	LeConte's Sparrow	B w
361	Nelson's Sparrow	B
362	Fox Sparrow	B w
363	Song Sparrow	B W
364	Lincoln's Sparrow	B W
365	Swamp Sparrow	t W
366	White-throated Sparrow	t W
367	Harris's Sparrow	t W
368	White-crowned Sparrow	B W
369	<i>Golden-crowned Sparrow</i>	b w
370	Dark-eyed Junco	B W
371	<i>Yellow-breasted Chat</i>	B
372	Yellow-headed Blackbird	B W
373	Bobolink	B

374	<i>Eastern Meadowlark</i>	t
375	Western Meadowlark	B W
376	Orchard Oriole	B
377	<i>Hooded Oriole</i>	t
378	Bullock's Oriole	B w
379	Baltimore Oriole	B
380	Red-winged Blackbird	B W
381	Brown-headed Cowbird	B w
382	Rusty Blackbird	t W
383	Brewer's Blackbird	B W
384	Common Grackle	B W
385	<i>Great-tailed Grackle</i>	B W
386	Ovenbird	B
387	Northern Waterthrush	B
388	<i>Golden-winged Warbler</i>	t
389	<i>Blue-winged Warbler</i>	t
390	Black-and-white Warbler	B
391	<i>Prothonotary Warbler</i>	t
392	Tennessee Warbler	B
393	Orange-crowned Warbler	B
394	Nashville Warbler	B
395	<i>Virginia's Warbler</i>	t
396	<i>Connecticut Warbler</i>	t
397	MacGillivray's Warbler	B
398	Mourning Warbler	t
399	<i>Kentucky Warbler</i>	t
400	Common Yellowthroat	B w
401	<i>Hooded Warbler</i>	t
402	American Redstart	B
403	Cape May Warbler	t
404	Northern Parula	t
405	Magnolia Warbler	t
406	<i>Bay-breasted Warbler</i>	t
407	Blackburnian Warbler	t
408	Yellow Warbler	B
409	Chestnut-sided Warbler	b
410	Blackpoll Warbler	t
411	Black-throated Blue Warbler	t w
412	Palm Warbler	t w
413	<i>Pine Warbler</i>	t w
414	Yellow-rumped Warbler	B W
415	<i>Yellow-throated Warbler</i>	t w
416	<i>Prairie Warbler</i>	t
417	<i>Black-throated Gray Warbler</i>	B w
418	Townsend's Warbler	B
419	Black-throated Green Warbler	t
420	Canada Warbler	t
421	Wilson's Warbler	B w
422	<i>Painted Redstart</i>	t
423	<i>Summer Tanager</i>	t
424	Scarlet Tanager	t
425	Western Tanager	B
426	<i>Northern Cardinal</i>	t w
427	<i>Pyrrhuloxia</i>	t
428	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	b w
429	Black-headed Grosbeak	B w
430	<i>Blue Grosbeak</i>	B
431	Lazuli Bunting	B
432	Indigo Bunting	b
433	<i>Painted Bunting</i>	t w
434	Dickcissel	B

\* Bell's Vireo not on official list but likely has occurred in Montana.

# CHECKLIST OF MONTANA BIRDS

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Canyon Wren

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